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THESE HUMANS...
THEIR LIVES HOLD NO IMPORTANCE.
THE SANCTUARY OF REPENTANCE AND DESIRE
悔恨と渇望のサンクチュアリ
EAGERLY AWAITING YOUR COMMENTS!
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JUST LIKE GOD, THIS SITUATION IS NOTHING BUT A JOKE.
I'LL PLAY ALONG.
AND CATER TO THOSE WORTHLESS INSECTS FOR A WHILE.
REPENT?
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH.
BUT IF IT MEANS REGAINING THE GLORY OF HEAVEN
"IF YOU FULFILL MY ORDERS BY REPENTING FROM YOUR HEART AND WORKING HARD FOR THE SAKE OF HUMANS,
I WILL RESTORE YOU AS A SERAPH AND RECEIVE YOU BACK INTO HEAVEN."

A CUSTOMER IS COMING, SARI
CREAK
I'D LIKE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR A FUNERAL.
ONE WEEK FROM NOW
WELCOME.
IT WILL BE MY OWN.

MANAGER OF REMINGTON FUNERAL PARLOR
SARI REMINGTON
PARDON ME. COULD YOU SAY THAT AGAIN?
WHOSE FUNERAL?
I'VE DECIDED I'M GOING TO DIE ONE WEEK FROM NOW
MINE.
I'M OLIVIA WOODGATE.
I'VE WRITTEN MY REQUESTS FOR THE FUNERAL ON THIS PAPER
WHAT I WANT IS—
THAT'S WONDERFUL!!

SMILE
I HAVE ALWAYS THOUGHT IT WOULD BE NICE IF HUMANS WOULD JUST HURRY UP AND DIE ALREADY.
HOWEVER, FOR SOME REASON GOD SEEMS TO REALLY HATE SUICIDE
HUH...?
ENRAGED
YOU—
SO I'M AFRAID I WON'T BE ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR REQUEST.
YOU SHOULD GIVE UP ON SUICIDE AND GO ABOUT THE REST OF YOUR WORTHLESS LIFE.
OKAY?
YOU'RE SCUM!!
FINE, THEN!!
SFX: SLAM!

IN THIS SMALL TOWN, RAIANDO,
ISN'T "WOODGATE" THE WEALTHY FAMILY THAT LIVES UP ON THE HILL?
IT SHOULD BE FINE
OF ALL THE THINGS CREATED BY HUMANS, THE ONLY ONE I'M FOND OF IS CHOCOLATE
WHY DID SHE GET SO ANGRY BEELZ?
WHO KNOWS BUT IF YOU'RE NOT HANDLING HER FUNERAL, SHE'S NO LONGER A CUSTOMER, RIGHT?
I GUESS THAT'S TRUE...
OH SHE LEFT SOMETHING BEHIND
I'LL TAKE IT BACK TO HER WE'VE RUN OUT OF CHOCOLATE, ANYWAY
YOU'RE GOING TO GET DIABETES, EARL
I HAVE NO IDEA WHERE YOU LEARNED SUCH A WORD

THERE ISN'T MUCH THE ELDERLY LADIES DON'T KNOW...
OLIVIA?
SHE'S THEIR ONLY DAUGHTER, AND A SPOILED BRAT WHO DOES WHATEVER SHE LIKES
CLINK
THE PARENTS ARE ALSO NO GOOD
I HEARD THEY BOTH HAVE LOVERS AND HARDLY EVER COME HOME ANYMORE
LOOKS LIKE OLIVIA'S JUST LIKE THEM. OH, LOOK, THERE'S THEIR GARDENER, CASEY, NOW
YES,
HE'S A GOOD BOY
YOU KNOW RECENTLY
WHEN HE FINALLY GOT UP THE COURAGE TO CONFESS TO OLIVIA, NOT ONLY WAS HE COLDLY REJECTED,
I HEARD SHE EVEN FIRED HIM

"I'VE DECIDED I'M GOING TO DIE ONE WEEK FROM NOW."
HOW PRESUMPTUOUS, FOR A CREATURE WITH SUCH A FLEETING LIFESPAN TO TALK ABOUT CHOOSING TO LIVE OR DIE
BUT, IF I IGNORE A SUICIDE,
I'LL INCUR HIS WRATH
WHA—

HM?
GRAB
WHY HAVE YOU COME HERE?!
JUST... COME OVER HERE.
I DON'T NEED THAT!
TO RETURN SOMETHING YOU FORGOT...
JEEZ...
I DIDN'T GO TO SO MUCH TROUBLE TO KEEP IT A SECRET FOR IT TO BE DISCOVERED BY THE SERVANTS NOW.
YOU'RE NOT VERY DISCREET
YOU'VE MADE SUCH AN IMPORTANT DECISION WITHOUT EVEN CONSULTING YOUR PARENTS?
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NO.
IF I TELL YOU, WILL YOU AGREE TO ARRANGE MY FUNERAL?
TURNS
WHY ON EARTH ARE YOU THINKING OF COMMITTING SUICIDE?
THOSE PEOPLE HAVE NO INTEREST IN ME ANYMORE.
HE'S SO DAMN CHEERFUL
LISTEN UP, EVERYONE! YOUR MISTRESS HERE IS PLANNING TO KI—
STOP THAT!
SO YOU'RE GOING TO FORGET ABOUT COMMITTING SUICIDE, RIGHT?
IF YOU GIVE UP, I'LL... HERE, I'LL GIVE YOU THIS CHOCOLATE.
EVEN THOUGH I JUST BOUGHT IT, I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
I DON'T NEED IT!!
THEN FORGET IT. I WON'T TELL YOU.
WHAT ARE YOU..
...!
SFX: THROB

IT SEEMS MY PARENTS WANTED TO HIDE IT, SO THE SERVANTS... ONLY A SMALL NUMBER OF THEM KNOW.
HEY,
WHAT IS IT?
I... WAS TOLD I WOULDN'T LIVE PAST THE AGE OF 10
AND YET I'M 19 THIS YEAR
I'LL END UP IN YOUR CARE SOONER OR LATER REGARDLESS

THESE PATHETIC CREATURES THAT LIVE FOR A MERE HUNDRED YEARS AND THEN DISAPPEAR IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE;
WHY DOES HE LOVE THEM SO MUCH?
UNCOMFORTABLE
THAT REMINDS ME WHAT ABOUT THE GARDENER WHO TENDED THIS GARDEN. HE
I'LL CHANGE THE TOPIC
HAS HEARTBURN
EVEN IF I COULDN'T CHOOSE HOW MY LIFE STARTED,
I SHOULD AT LEAST BE ABLE TO CHOOSE HOW IT ENDS, RIGHT?
AW GEEZ,
I REALLY CAN'T STAND THIS KIND OF NONSENSE.
I THINK I'M GOING TO PUKE
THIS GARDEN REALLY IS VERY BEAUTIFUL, ISN'T IT?
SFX: PERKS UP

LOOK OVER HERE, TOO!
THERE WASN'T EVEN A SINGLE FLOWER BLOOMING HERE TWO YEARS AGO. IT'S REALLY INCREDIBLE, RIGHT?!
RIGHT NOW IT'S SET UP SO THAT THERE'S SOMETHING IN BLOOM YEAR-ROUND.
EVEN IN THIS SEASON
IF YOU LIKE HIM SO MUCH,
WHY DID YOU REJECT HIM?
WHY DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT?
DEVILISHLY GOOD HEARING
HAHAHA
THOSE OLD LADIES, I MEAN
WE SURELY
COULD NEVER HAVE BEEN TOGETHER FOR LONG

TN: THE JAPANESE IDIOM HERE IS "HELL EARS," MEANING EXCESSIVELY SHARP HEARING. THE JOKE BEING, OF COURSE, THAT SARI IS ACTUALLY FROM HELL

IT WOULD ONLY GIVE HIM SAD MEMORIES, SO I JUST COULDN'T DO IT
HE'S THE FIRST PERSON I EVER LOVED, AND YET...
CASEY DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT MY ILLNESS, YOU SEE
SO, I'D RATHER HE HATE ME AND QUICKLY FORGET ABOUT ME
I REALLY CAN'T GO TO AN UNDERTAKER IN ANOTHER CITY.
I'LL GIVE UP ON COMMITTING SUICIDE, SO GO HOME ALREADY.

YEAH, I GUESS SO, BEELZ.
IT'S GOOD THAT THE MATTER IS SETTLED, ISN'T IT?
AND, ANYWAY, IT WOULD BE NOTHING BUT TROUBLE FOR ME IF SHE WHIMSICALLY COMMITTED SUICIDE AND I WERE SUSPECTED OF HAVING ENCOURAGED IT.
HUMANS CHANGE THEIR MINDS SO EASILY.
I'LL GET HIM TO DO SOME REINFORCEMENT, JUST IN CASE.
SFX. RATTLE RATTLE RATTLE
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REALLY, I CAN'T BELIEVE
I'M BEING SO NICE TO A HUMAN

RATTLE
RATTLE
WHY DO I HAVE TO GO OFF WITH YOU?
AND HOW DID YOU GET THE SERVANTS TO GO ALONG WITH THIS?!
THIS IS THE CARRIAGE I USE TO TRANSPORT COFFINS
I TOLD THEM IT WAS A TRIAL RUN
THAT'S TOO OMINOUS!!
RATTLE
RATTLE
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?!
RATTLE
I'M THE 5TH GENERATION
REMINGTON FUNERAL PARLOR HAS BEEN AROUND SINCE RAIANDO WAS FOUNDED.
THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING, WHY DID YOU AGREE TO SUCCEED THE FAMILY BUSINESS?!
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
YOU REALLY ARE A WEIRD PERSON.
WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO BECOME AN UNDERTAKER?
THAT'S .
— WHY?

BECAUSE, IN THE GUISE OF THE LORD OF THE ANGELS, I COAXED HUMANITY INTO ACCEPTING THE FORBIDDEN FRUIT OF KNOWLEDGE.
WHAT ARROGANCE IS THIS?!!
I WONDER IF THAT BEING WHO CAST ME OUT OF HEAVEN FOR LOATHING THE HUMANS
OF COURSE THE HUMANS SHOULD BE DRIVEN OUT OF PARADISE!
AS IF THOSE FILTHY MUD-CRAWLERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO INHABIT THE SAME CELESTIAL GROUND AS I, THE MOST BRILLIANT LIGHT!
HOW FOOL-ISH
REALLY EXPECTS ME TO EVER SHED TEARS FOR THE SAKE OF A HUMAN?
AMONG ALL THE CREATURES WHOSE SENTENCE DISAP-PEARS IN BUT AN INSTANT, HUMANS ARE BY FAR THE MOST DETESTABLE
AS IF I WOULD BECOME EMOTION-ALLY INVESTED IN THE FATE OF ONE OF THEM!

I SENT A LETTER TO CASEY WILLIAMS.
CLATTER
ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?
CLATTER
HEY...
IN ANY CASE,
ENOUGH ABOUT ME.
WHY HIS MISTRESS REJECTED HIM.
EXPLAINING CLEARLY
HE'S WAITING FOR YOU UNDER THAT TREE
CLATTER
CLATTER
CLATTER
OH, THERE IT IS THAT BIG TREE OVER THERE
WH..
WH—
CLATTER
CLATTER
CLATTER
I DON'T KNOW AND I DON'T PARTICULARLY CARE
BUT IF HE'S REALLY COME ALL THE WAY OUT HERE TO MEET YOU, YOU SHOULD AT LEAST MEET WITH HIM, SHOULDN'T YOU?
CLATTER
CLATTER
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO FACE HIM—
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!! WHY?!

WHETHER THE PATH YOU TAKE LEADS TO MEETING SOMEONE OR NOT
YOU HUMANS LIVE MEANINGLESS LIVES REGARDLESS.
MISTRESS!

LET ME BE BY YOUR SIDE.
I...
YOU KNOW, RIGHT?!
WHY DID YOU COME?
DON'T YOU SEE? IN THE END IT WILL ONLY HURT YOU.
NO.
I WANT TO SPEND IT TOGETHER
IT'S OKAY EVEN IF IT'S ONLY FOR A SHORT WHILE

MEMORIES ARE NOT NECESSARILY ONLY OF SAD THINGS...
BUT WE WON'T HAVE ANY CHANCE TO MAKE HAPPY MEMORIES...
I'M GOING TO DIE
LIKE A FLOWER THAT WILL INEVITABLY WITHER—
BUT,
I—
I KNOW BETTER THAN ANYONE WHAT AN INCREDIBLE MIRACLE THE FLOWER IN BLOOM IS
I WON'T EVER REMEMBER A BEAUTIFULLY BLOOMING FLOWER AS A SAD THING
I...

I LOVE YOU, MISTRESS
RIGHT NOW,
FROM THIS MOMENT ON...
I DON'T NEED HAPPY MEMORIES OR ANYTHING ELSE—

THAT ARE IRREVOCABLY FATED TO WITHER AND FADE.
OCCASIONALLY, HUMANS
THEY ADMIRE THAT SINGLE INSTANT...
LOOKS LIKE IT WENT PRETTY WELL, EH, SARIP
LOOKS LIKE IT, BEELZ.
ALTHOUGH I... ABSOLUTE... DESIRE... STAND...
WILL CULTIVATE FLOWERS
— I JUST CAN'T DRAW MY EYES AWAY

MORE THAN THEY WOULD IF IT WERE TO LAST FOR AN ETERNITY
AKOW
"I'VE WRITTEN DOWN MY WISHES FOR MY FUNERAL"
"I WANT IT TO LOOK LIKE I'M SLEEPING IN THE CENTER OF A BOUQUET"

"SEND ME AWAY WITH THE FLOWERS FROM OUR GARDEN."
"THE FLOWERS THAT HE GREW"
SFX: DING DONG
WELL THEN EVERYONE
I WILL LEAD THE PROCESSION TO THE GRAVEYARD

IS CHOOSING EVEN AN INSTANT OF LOVE REALLY SUCH A MYSTERY, MR. UNDERKEEPER?
SURELY YOU ARE THINKING THAT AN ETERNAL LOVE HAS MUCH MORE VALUE, BUT...
YOU HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN ABLE TO ATTAIN THAT YET, HAVE YOU?
I, TOO, FINALLY UNDERSTOOD.
IT'S NOT ABOUT THE DURATION.
...
SFX: DING DONG

IN THESE TWO MONTHS, I
WAS SURELY JUST AS HAPPY AS SOMEONE WHO LIVED FOR A HUNDRED YEARS
SFX. JEER
"—HOW FOOL-ISH."
GIVE UP ON THIS FARCE ALREADY, AND COME PLAY WITH US IN HELL.
YOU STILL THINK SO, RIGHT, SARI?
LET'S START BY DRAGGING THIS GIRL DOWN WITH US.
OH, KING OF OURS!

KING OF HELL, THE DEMON LORD LUCIFER—
DON'T FORGET YOUR PLACE, BEELZEBUB.
I ONLY KEEP YOU AROUND TO HAVE SOMEONE FROM HELL TO TALK TO WHEN I'M BORED.
GAH!
IF I CAN'T OBTAIN LOVE, IT'S BECAUSE I'VE BEEN DUMPED HERE IN THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH.
IF ONLY I COULD RETURN TO BEING A SERAPH, WHOM ANYONE AND EVERYONE CAN GAZE UP AT IN THE SKY
AND, FURTHERMORE, SOMEDAY REPLACE HIM ON THE SUPREME THRONE...
FOR THAT SAKE, I'M WILLING EVEN TO CONTINUE THIS FARCE OF TRYING TO UNDERSTAND THESE WORTHLESS HUMANS

THE FARCE OF BEING CAPABLE OF LOVE...
HEY.. LOOK!
THERE'S A LIGHT SHINING THROUGH THE CLOUDS...
IT'S THE ANGELS' LADDER...
THEY'VE COME FOR YOU, OLIVIA.
YOU'RE RIGHT. I'D BETTER GET GOING.
HEY, ME. UNDERSTAND.

BUT, BECAUSE I MET YOU,
I WAS ABLE TO OBTAIN THE MOST BRILLIANT LIGHT.
YOU SAID
THAT THERE IS NO MEANING IN THE ENCOUNTERS WE HAVE DURING OUR LIVES, RIGHT?
THANK YOU.
I'LL BE PRAYING
THAT SOMEDAY YOU CAN OBTAIN THE KIND OF LOVE YOU ARE WISHING FOR.
—HOW DISGUSTING
HUMANS
AND THEIR GRATITUDE.

THERE'S NO WAY I'LL EVER... LOVE
WHAT IS THIS?
IT'S ALL A LIE
WHILE CONTINUING THIS FARCE,
SFX: CREAK
I AM RUNNING THIS SHOP TODAY AS WELL
WELCOME
END